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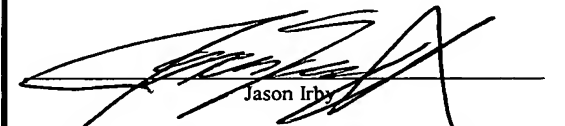
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Title:

METHOD, SYSTEM AND FACILITY FOR
CONTROLLING RESOURCE ALLOCATION
WITHIN A MANUFACTURING
ENVIRONMENT

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Jason Irby

Dear Sir:

**REQUEST FOR INDICATION OF CONSIDERATION OF REFERENCES
SUBMITTED BEFORE MAILING OF THE NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE**

For reasons set forth below, it is respectfully requested that the PTO file for this application be promptly forwarded to Examiner Kidest Bahta for consideration of the following:

On November 23, 2004, Applicants filed an Information Disclosure Statement with a PTO 1449 form attached. Copies of the cited references were included. This IDS was received at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 23, 2004. However upon receipt of the Notice of Allowance mailed May 13, 2005, the Examiner did not initial the PTO form 1449 to confirm the submitted references were considered.

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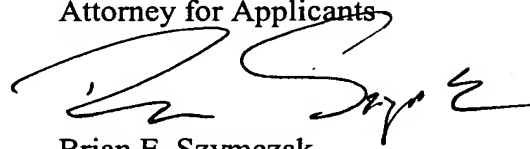
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Accordingly, **Applicants hereby request Examiner initial the PTO 1449 form for the attached Information Disclosure Statement** to indicate that the references were properly considered during examination of this application.

If there are any matters concerning this Application that may be cleared up in a telephone conversation, please contact Applicants' attorney at 512.322.2548.

Respectfully submitted,

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Angela Loding

Dear Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Applicants respectfully request, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, that the references listed on the attached PTO-1449 form be considered and cited in the examination of the above-identified application. A copy of the references is enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

Applicants submit these newly cited references for Examiner's review and consideration in this application. Furthermore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97.(g) and (h), no representation is made that these references are material to the patentability of the present application.

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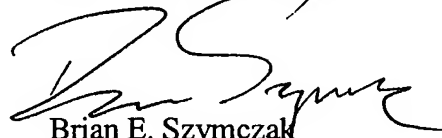
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Applicants enclose a check in the amount of \$180.00 and believe no further fee is due, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 02-0383 of Baker Botts L.L.P. in order to effectuate this filing.

Respectfully submitted,

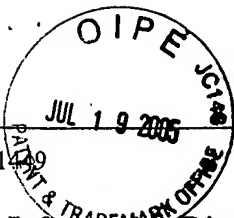
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EXAMINER

DATE CONSIDERED

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